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MUSICAL MERRY-GO-ROUND . . . Appearing in leading roles of the El Camino College production of "Carousel" June 3, 4 and 5 will be Dolly Wilson of Redondo Beach and Bob Hill of Manhattan Beach, pictured in a romantic scene above. Production will be held in the auditorium of Redondo Beach Union High School.

El Camino Players To Stage 'Carousel'

"Carousel," one of the best known of the famed Rogers and Hammerstein musical productions, is scheduled for its first production by a college group in the metropolitan area when the El Camino College music and drama departments combine for the production June 3, 4, and 5.

The production will be staged in the auditorium of Redondo Beach Union High School beginning at 8:30 p.m.

The product of the combined pens of what New York critics rate the outstanding writer-composing team in the history of musical comedy, "Carousel" features a parade of song hits including such favorites as "June is Busting out All Over," "You'll Never Walk Alone," and "If I Loved You."

Other hits credited to the composers include songs from such productions as "Carmen Jones," "The King and I," and "Oklahoma!"

Story of Carnival "Carousel" is an adaptation of Ferenc Molnar's book "Liliom." It is the story of a tough carnival barker who is loved by a gentle little peasant girl. The barker, Billy Bigelow, commits suicide during an abortive robbery attempt and is sentenced in a celestial police court to spend 16 years in purgatory. He is finally allowed to return to earth for one day to show his repentance by performing one kind act.

"Carousel" is the fifth in an annual series of spring musicals presented by the college. In 1950 "Sunny" an original musical, was offered. The following year saw the staging of "Of Thee I Sing." In 1952 "Finians Rainbow" was the musical offering, while Gilbert and Sullivan's "Pirates of Penzance" was added to the local theatre scene in 1953.

The popularity of this year's production is attested to by the fact that "Carousel" played to nearly 900 audiences during its lengthy stay on Broadway.

The cast of "Carousel" is the finest yet assembled for a musical production at El Camino, according to members of the music department. It features a chorus of 19 girls and 14 men under the direction of R. Neil Hill, college choral director. Dr. Barbara Kidd, choreographer has assembled a dancing group of seven girls and seven men, which features Jean Perdue as Billy's daughter, Louise. A 25 piece orchestra, under the di-

rection of H. M. Maddaford will provide the musical background. The male lead, Billy Bigelow, is played by Paul Comi. Comi, an army veteran and resident of Manhattan Beach, has had considerable experience as a professional entertainer. Prior to his induction into the army, he played trumpet and was featured vocalist with the Sam Donahue and Jerry Gray dance bands. During his army stint, Comi played various army camp shows. Since his discharge, he has appeared as the male lead in "Heaven Can Wait," play presented during the fall semester by the college drama department.

The little peasant girl, Julie Jordan, is portrayed by Lo Ray Campbell, a Dorsey High School graduate and presently a resident of Gardena. Miss Campbell has appeared in Reno, Nevada, with the road show engagement of "The Drunkard." Mr. Snow, the male comic, is played by Robert L. Hill, a graduate of Westchester High School and a resident of Redondo Beach, has appeared with the Kentwood Players and the Culver City Light Opera.

Inglewood's Marge Burnett, with an extensive background of college and little theatre dramatic experience, portrays Mrs. Mullins. Billy Bigelow's pal Jigger is played by Larry Herin of Torrance. Larry is best remembered for his hilarious portrayal of Sam, the flag bearing pirate, in last year's production of "The Pirates of Penzance." Rounding out the cast of principals is Vera Osborn, a Gardena resident with a background of high school and Little Theatre dramatic experience.

Tickets for "Carousel" are now on sale in the bookstore on the college campus. All seats are reserved at \$1.25 and 85 cents. Reservations may be made by calling the college, MEEno 4-6621 or PLYmouth 6-1421.



EDISON COMPANY OFFICERS . . . At the annual meeting of stockholders of Southern California Edison Co. last week, W. C. Mullendore (left), was elected chairman of the board; Harry J. Bauer (center), vice-chairman; and Harold Quinton, president. All members of the board of directors were re-elected.

Hi-Lives of Seaside

Fishing, Picnicking Fever Hits Heights

By SUE BURK FR 5-4510 The weather is wonderful, just right for having picnics or quiet lunches on the patios or at least a lot of the neighborhood seem to be doing just that. Not quite right for showerbaths under the lawn sprinkler, though. Not so nice are the thoughts of Mr. and Mrs. Jack S. Mitchell this week as the cesspool has actually caved in. The Mitchells now have a sheer drop of from 10 to 12 feet in their front yard. Maybe this can be a warning for others in the Heights. Even though you now have sewers it just might be good to keep a watchful eye open for the old cesspool.

Talked a while with Mrs. Milson the other day, and found out that Jack and she had tripped off to Tijuana for the holiday week-end. There Jack enjoyed the game of Jai-Alai (pronounced, HI-LI). This game is considerably much like tennis, except, the Milsons say, a lot more fun. Sounds like it might be fun at that, so if you would like to know more about it, Mrs. Milson tells me she would feel honored to be able to discuss it at great length with whomever called her. The number is FR 5-1447.

A series of little neighbor parties is being given by some of the ladies on Zakon. Each party will be given from one to three months apart, but each neighbor will have a chance to entertain. This is sort of a know your next-door neighbor and get acquainted, with a chance for games, dancing and chatting with mixed crowds. So far we've been having just codes of fun and keeping looking forward to the next. Whose turn is it?

Jim and Rose McClune and their family went looking for warmer weather a couple weeks ago when they tripped off to Lake Mathews for a Sunday of fun. Only there wasn't so much fun as all they found was terrible cold. Sorry kids, better luck next time. You might try the beaches right in our own neighborhood.

Thought I would take a look in the new City Council the other evening, so with Mrs. Esman Sharp of Allied Gardens we sat through an evening of business. You might like to know that our thoughts of the new Council were good and the councilmen really carried off wonderfully large book of business.

We have five real live residents and they are working for the people. Residents of the Heights and Ranchos will be delighted to know they are seeking again to get traffic on 101 Hwy. slowed down.

On Saturday, May 22, a square dance is being given for the purpose of entertaining the public and the price will be fifty cents per person. If you would like an evening of fun and dancing, for more information call Peg Parke. The student body has selected these persons for the offices in the primary elections: Carolyn Waddendum and Mike Ratcliffe for president, Mike Gray and Richard Powell for first vice-president, Gary Wescomb and David Pace for second vice president, Maren Courtney and Carolyn Bledsoe for secretary and treasurer. The general elections are to be held on May 30. To these kids I say, "You all have a chance, and may the best man or woman win."

See that Mr. and Mrs. Richard Dodge and son Robbie enjoyed a nice afternoon at Knott's Berry Farm. You know, I hear that is a wonderful place for dinner and seeing the sights; how about it? Mr. and Mrs. Richard Grierson spent Friday evening visiting friends in Santa Ana. Geri is still talking about the entertainment they watched during the evening. Must have been some show, huh? All kidding aside, I'm really happy you kids got a chance to enjoy an evening of fun and frolic. Company for Mr. and Mrs. F. W. Burk were Mr. and Mrs. Leon Jeff Poor from Playa del Rey and Mr. and Mrs. Howard Gray and Mr. and Mrs. Howard Smith of Kettler Knolls. Visiting with Mr. and Mrs. B. P. Rena of Zakon was cousin Ann Stewart from Los Angeles. The Holstins entertained Mr. and Mrs. M. E. Holstin and niece Dolene and Peggy, of Hawthorne.

Mental Health Week Observed By Harborites

Observing the beginning of National Mental Health Week, representatives from Harbor South Bay organizations active in the preventive mental health field attended the recent banquet of the Southern California Society for Mental Hygiene. The Harbor District Mental Health Service reserved a table for 12 in the Blossom Room of the Hollywood Roosevelt Hotel for the event. Attending were Messrs. and Mrs. Charles Mavros, Joseph Modonato, G. Wilson and Mesdames Clarke B. Walsworth, Henry Olsen, Jackson Pearson, Wheeler F. Newman, and Ann Mulligan.

Highlight of the evening was the Los Angeles premiere of the play "My Name is Legion," which interprets the birth and development of the mental health movement in America.

Teen Club Open to More Members

Due to great demand, applications will be taken for membership in the North Torrance Recreation Department (teen-age club, beyond the 100 member deadline, according to Director Les Breitenfelt.

Youths in the 13-15 age bracket may apply by filling out a form at one of the regular Monday night meetings which begin at 7:30 o'clock at McMaster Recreation Building, 174th St. and Yukon Ave.

A group of ten members and the two recreation directors, Breitenfelt and Barbara Billings, will attend the Tenth Annual SCYA Spring Conference in Gardena Saturday.

Representatives will be Pat Webb, president; Roy Lorrain, treasurer; Charles Morris, Richard Gerardo, Ron Trout, Judy Breitenfelt, Leota Pierce, Dave Ladd, Richard Murphy, and Judy Ingalls.

A crowd of 72 packed the McMaster Hall at the last meeting of the club. Some of the future activities under discussion were a fashion show, a lecture on beauty and charm, and a beach party.

Scouts Attend Camporee At Griffith Park

Members of Boy Scout Troop 241 joined other Harbor District Scouts in a camporee last weekend at Griffith Park.

Boys attended were Charlie Moffitt, Slip Wilson, Al Bundrum, Bobby Bauman, Bill Holland, Doug Stevens, Ned Morang, Bobby Cato, Joe Paget, Joe Reddington, Don Ingram, Butch Cowan, Steve Smith, Bill Roder, Jimmie White, Bill McDonald, Chuck Williams, Danny Kirks and Bobby Todd.

Torrance to Receive \$207,300 'In Lieu' Tax

Torrance should receive \$207,300 as its apportionment of Motor Vehicle License Fees ("In Lieu" tax) for the year 1954-55. It was estimated in Sacramento this week by State Controller Robert C. Kirkwood. Distribution of the monies is based on population, each city receiving about \$4.61 per capita.

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